

Senate Resolution 110 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 110

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1 A Resolution supporting the federal Renewable Fuel
2 Standard through 2022.

3 WHEREAS, in accordance with the federal Energy
4 Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, as amended
5 by the federal Energy Independence and Security Act
6 of 2007, Pub. L. No. 110-140, the United States has
7 demonstrated its commitment to the long-term policy of
8 increasing the domestic production of clean renewable
9 fuels according to a renewable fuel standard, referred
10 to as the "RFS"; and

11 WHEREAS, the RFS is the one of the single most
12 successful energy policies in our nation's history; and

13 WHEREAS, the RFS is a federal policy that requires a
14 minimum percentage of motor fuel sold in our nation to
15 contain renewable fuels; and

16 WHEREAS, under the RFS, renewable fuels have
17 access to a retail market in the face of a vertically
18 integrated petroleum market; and

19 WHEREAS, the RFS represents a congressional promise
20 to American biofuels producers, farmers, communities,
21 and investors that the blend levels of the RFS will
22 increase each year through 2022; and

23 WHEREAS, this congressional policy supporting the
24 RFS will continue to build the long-term capacity of
25 the renewable fuels industry and will encourage the
26 development of new types of clean fuels; and

27 WHEREAS, the RFS helps support over 73,000 jobs
28 in agriculture, biofuels production, and associated

1 businesses in Iowa; and

2 WHEREAS, the renewable fuels industry in Iowa
3 helps pay \$5 billion in wages annually to this state's
4 employment force; and

5 WHEREAS, renewable fuels create additional markets
6 for Iowa farmers with more than 47 percent of Iowa's
7 corn supply supporting ethanol production; NOW
8 THEREFORE,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Iowa
10 Senate calls upon the Congress of the United
11 States, the United States Environmental Protection
12 Agency, the President of the United States, and this
13 country's future President of the United States and
14 administration, to continue to support the RFS through
15 2022 in order to encourage American energy production
16 and to strengthen rural communities; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
18 Resolution be sent to the President of the United
19 States, the Administrator of the United States
20 Environmental Protection Agency, the President and
21 Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and
22 Clerk of the United States House of Representatives,
23 and to the members of Iowa's congressional delegation.